5th Avenue Hotel.
New York. March 23. 1865.

Dear Sir:

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The enclosed letter of Mr Dunant is an official copy from the State Department and may be relied upon as correct. The President's letter in reply, is one of the most sensible letters that he has written, and shows well the difficulties which he has had to encounter. It has not been published, and has never been ~~seen~~ except by a very few persons. I send it to you thinking that it may be interesting to your readers as an original letter from the President in the early part of his administration. It should be published if at all, in connection with Mr Dunant's letter. The President has given me his consent that it should be published.

I remain.

Very Truly Yours.

N. P. Banks.

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Hon Wm Lloyd Garrison
Boston Mass.

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